

Amendments to the Specification:

Title

Please replace the Title with the following:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ~~REQUESTING PRICES~~ MANAGING
REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS FOR ELECTRONIC TRADING OF FINANCIAL
INSTRUMENTS

Specification

Please replace line 15 of page 2 in the "Background" of the Specification with the following:

1-3/3-6/1-6 month basis swaps (London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"),
Tokyo Interbank Offered Rate ("TIBOR"), etc.)

Please replace the first full paragraph of the "Detailed Description of the Invention," beginning on line 13 of page 4 with the following:

With reference to Figures 1 – 8 a preferred embodiment of the invention is discussed. Figure 1A shows an exemplary trading system implementing the present invention. A plurality of trader stations 102, 104 and 106 are connected to a financial server 100 through a network 110. The network 110 is preferably a private network connected through any number of means, such as T1 lines, digital subscriber lines, cable modems, satellite links, or other available connection means. One or more associated trader stations 106 may be coupled via a local area network 112. A trading system administrator station 114 also is preferably coupled to the financial server 100. Alternatively, trader stations 102, 104 and 106 may be coupled to server 100 through any of a number of means, such as via a public network, such as the Internet, or via a virtual private network. The system preferably utilizes a client-server architecture in which the trader stations 102, 104 and 106 execute a thin-client written in Java to communicate

with the financial server 100. In an alternate embodiment, the financial server 100 acts as a web server and communicates with trader stations 102, 104 and 106 using a page description language, such as Hyper-Text Markup Lnaguage ("HTML") or Extensible Markup Language ("XML"). In such an embodiment, traders interact with server 100 using a compatible browser (e.g., Netscape Navigator® or Microsoft Internet Explorer®).